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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97, as revised on February 4, 1992, 1135 OG 23-24, Applicant hereby calls the Examiner's attention to documents listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08B, which documents may be material to the examination of this application. Copies of the references are enclosed.

No interference should be drawn that any apparatus disclosed is equivalent to the subject invention.

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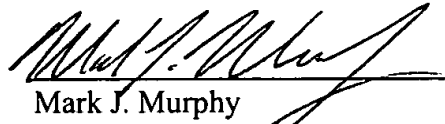
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documents discussed herein, that may be cited by the Examiner in rejecting a claim in the instant patent application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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